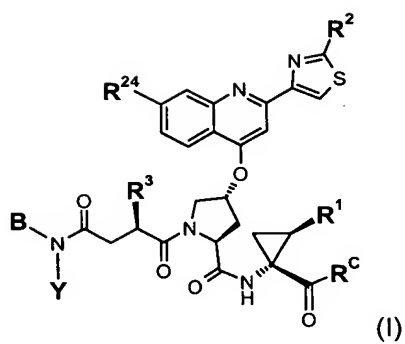


ABSTRACT

Compounds of formula (I):

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wherein **B**, **Y**, **R³**, **R²⁴**, **R²**, **R¹** and **R^C** are defined herein. The compounds are useful as inhibitors of HCV NS3 protease.

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